

Daily Digest

HIGHLIGHTS

The House passed H.R. 2989, making appropriations for the Departments of Transportation and Treasury, and independent agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2004.

The House passed H.R. 2765, making appropriations for the government of the District of Columbia and other activities chargeable in whole or in part against the revenues of said District for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2004.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S11191–S11261

Measures Introduced: Ten bills and four resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1593–1602, S. Res. 219–221, and S. Con. Res. 66. **Page S11245**

Measures Passed

Ed Edmondson United States Courthouse: Senate passed H.R. 1668, to designate the United States courthouse located at 101 North Fifth Street in Muskogee, Oklahoma, as the “Ed Edmondson United States Courthouse”, clearing the measure for the President. **Page S11261**

Labor, Health and Human Services, Education Appropriations: Senate continued consideration of H.R. 2660, making appropriations for the Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2004, taking action on the following amendments proposed thereto:

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Pending:

Specter Amendment No. 1542, in the nature of a substitute. **Pages S11192–S11240**

Akaka Amendment No. 1544 (to Amendment No. 1542), to provide funding for the Excellence in Economic Education Act of 2001. **Page S11192**

Mikulski Amendment No. 1552 (to Amendment No. 1542), to increase funding for programs under the Nurse Reinvestment Act and other nursing workforce development programs. **Page S11192**

Kohl Amendment No. 1558 (to Amendment No. 1542), to provide additional funding for the om-

budsman program for the protection of vulnerable older Americans. **Page S11192**

Dodd Amendment No. 1572 (to Amendment No. 1542), to provide additional funding for grants to States under part B of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act. **Pages S11193, S11228**

DeWine Amendment No. 1561 (to Amendment No. 1542), to provide funds to support graduate medical education programs in children’s hospitals. **Page S11193**

DeWine Amendment No. 1560 (to Amendment No. 1542), to provide funds to support poison control centers. **Page S11193**

DeWine Amendment No. 1578 (to Amendment No. 1542), to provide funding for the Underground Railroad Education and Cultural Program. **Page S11193**

Harkin Amendment No. 1580 (to Amendment No. 1542), to protect the rights of employees to receive overtime compensation. **Pages S11193–S11209**

Schumer Amendment No. 1598 (to Amendment No. 1542), to provide additional funding for programs under the Ryan White Care Act. **Pages S11228–29**

Reed Amendment No. 1595 (to Amendment No. 1542), to provide funding for home energy assistance needs under the Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Act of 1981. **Pages S11229–31**

Reed Amendment No. 1592 (to Amendment No. 1542), to increase funding for immunization services. **Pages S11231–32**

Reed Amendment No. 1596 (to Amendment No. 1542), to increase funding for certain literacy, library, and museum programs. **Pages S11232–34**

Corzine Amendment No. 1602 (to Amendment No. 1542), to restore cuts in student aid.

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Reid Amendment No. 1603 (to Amendment No. 1542), to increase funding for certain education and related programs.

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During consideration of this measure today, the Senate also took the following actions:

By 44 yeas to 51 nays (Vote No. 330), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn, not having voted in the affirmative, Senate rejected the motion to waive section 504 of H. Con. Res. 95, Congressional Budget Resolution, with respect to Byrd Amendment No. 1543 (to Amendment No. 1542), to provide additional funding for education for the disadvantaged. Subsequently, the point of order that the amendment would exceed discretionary spending limits and thus be in violation of section 504 of H. Con. Res. 95, Congressional Budget Resolution, was sustained, and the amendment thus falls.

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By 49 yeas to 46 nays (Vote No. 331), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn, not having voted in the affirmative, Senate rejected the motion to waive section 504 of H. Con. Res. 95, Congressional Budget Resolution, with respect to Kennedy Amendment No. 1566 (to Amendment No. 1542), to increase student financial aid by an amount that matches the increase in low- and middle-income family college costs. Subsequently, the point of order that the amendment would exceed discretionary spending limits and thus be in violation of section 504 of H. Con. Res. 95, Congressional Budget Resolution, was sustained, and the amendment thus falls.

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By 43 yeas to 51 nays (Vote No. 332), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn, not having voted in the affirmative, Senate rejected the motion to waive section 504 of H. Con. Res. 95, Congressional Budget Resolution, with respect to Durbin Amendment No. 1591 (to Amendment No. 1542), to provide funding for the prevention, treatment, and control of, and research on global HIV/AIDS. Subsequently, the point of order that the amendment would exceed discretionary spending limits and thus be in violation of section 504 of H. Con. Res. 95, Congressional Budget Resolution, was sustained, and the amendment thus falls.

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By 47 yeas to 47 nays (Vote No. 333), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn, not having voted in the affirmative, Senate rejected the motion to waive section 504 of H. Con. Res. 95, Congressional Budget Resolution, with respect to Dodd Amendment No. 1597 (to Amendment No. 1542), to increase funds for Head Start. Subsequently, the point of order that the amendment would exceed

discretionary spending limits and thus be in violation of section 504 of H. Con. Res. 95, Congressional Budget Resolution, was sustained, and the amendment thus falls.

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A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that at 9:45 a.m., on Wednesday, September 10, 2003, Senate will begin a series of votes on certain pending amendments.

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A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill at 9:30 a.m., on Wednesday, September 10, 2003.

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Executive Communications:

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Additional Statements:

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Amendments Submitted:

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Authority for Committees to Meet:

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Record Votes: Four record votes were taken today. (Total—333)

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Adjournment: Senate met at 9:30 a.m., and adjourned at 9:11 p.m., until 9:30 a.m., on Wednesday, September 10, 2003. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on pages S11260–61.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

MILITARY OPERATIONS ABROAD

Committee on Armed Services: Committee concluded a hearing to examine U.S. military commitments and ongoing military operations abroad, focusing on the war on terrorism, Afghanistan, Iraq, weapons of mass destruction, and Korea, after receiving testimony from Paul D. Wolfowitz, Deputy Secretary of Defense; Marc I. Grossman, Under Secretary of State for Political Affairs; and General Richard B. Myers, USAF, Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

SARBANES-OXLEY ACT

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Committee concluded a hearing on the implementation of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act (Public Law 107–204), focusing on the dramatic change across the corporate landscape to re-establish investor confidence in the integrity of corporate disclosures and financial reporting, after receiving testimony from William H. Donaldson, Chairman, U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission.